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THE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE

Saturday - March 31, 1979

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9:00 Dr. Zbigniew Brzezinski - The Oval Office.

10:45 Drop-By Reception for Past District Governors  
(15 min.) of Georgia Lions International - The State  
Dining Room.

2:15 Depart South Grounds via Helicopter en route  
Andrews Air Force Base and Wisconsin for Obey  
Fundraiser in Wausau and Jefferson-Jackson  
Day Dinner in Milwaukee.

12:00 Return to the White House.  
midnight

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

3/31/79

Jack Watson

The attached was returned in  
the President's outbox today  
and is forwarded to you for  
your information.

Rick Hutcheson

	FOR STAFFING
	FOR INFORMATION
✓	FROM PRESIDENT'S OUTBOX.
	LOG IN/TO PRESIDENT TODAY
	IMMEDIATE TURNAROUND
	NO DEADLINE
	LAST DAY FOR ACTION -

ACTION  
FYI

	ADMIN CONFID
	CONFIDENTIAL
	SECRET
	EYES ONLY

	VICE PRESIDENT
	EIZENSTAT
	JORDAN
	KRAFT
	LIPSHUTZ
	MOORE
	POWELL
✓	WATSON
	WEXLER
	BRZEZINSKI
	MCINTYRE
	SCHULTZE

	ARAGON
	BOURNE
	BUTLER
	H. CARTER
	CLOUGH
	COSTANZA
	CRUIKSHANK
	FALLOWS
	FIRST LADY
	GAMMILL
	HARDEN
	HUTCHESON
	JAGODA
	LINDER
	MITCHELL
	MOE
	PETERSON
	PETTIGREW
	PRESS
	RAFSHOON
	SCHNEIDERS
	VOORDE
	WARREN
	WISE

	ADAMS
	ANDRUS
	BELL
	BERGLAND
	BLUMENTHAL
	BROWN
	CALIFANO
	HARRIS
	KREPS
	MARSHALL
	SCHLESINGER
	STRAUSS
	VANCE

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

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J

March 30, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JACK WATSON *Jack*  
SUBJECT: Federal Contingency Plans -  
Three Mile Nuclear Facility

At the meeting this afternoon in the Situation Room the following decisions were made:

- ° I will assume the chair of the interagency task force to coordinate Federal assistance to Pennsylvania as needed and approved;
- ° In this role, I will serve as the federal link to the Governor, local authorities and all relevant federal officials in the field who may be called upon to assist.

All that follows is focused on the operations and support by federal agencies of state and local government in coping with the effects of the accident. Separate lines of control and communication are in place for handling the technical and scientific issues via NRC's man in the field, Dr. Harold Denton.

I have convened the appropriate agencies to begin coordinating the extant federal presence and to initiate necessary advance planning. I have done the following:

- ° Called Governor Thornburgh and advised him of my actions (detailed below). He was most appreciative. We will keep in continuing contact with each other as the situation unfolds.
- ° Directed the Regional Director of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (FDAA) in Philadelphia to proceed to Harrisburg to assume lead responsibility for the Federal government in planning operations and support to meet the needs of the people in the area.

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- ° Sent the Assistant Director of the Defense Civil Preparedness Agency (DCPA) to Harrisburg to coordinate Federal consultation with state and local officials on existing evacuation plans. If evacuation is called for, the system would be operated by the four affected county governments. Currently evacuation plans exist to move people up to ten miles from the site. I have asked that plans be set if evacuation must extend to 15 and 20 miles from the site.
- ° Asked that DoD's Director of Military Support prepare plans to provide temporary housing and feeding of people if evacuation occurs.
- ° Asked Frank's office to brief the Pennsylvania delegation on our activities and staff coordination lines.
- ° Asked HEW and its Center for Disease Control to prepare plans to provide necessary medical screening and services in the event of (a) a worsening of the exposure and/or (b) an evacuation decision.
- ° Asked that FDAA work with the Governor's office to prepare necessary emergency and/or disaster declaration requests so that a minimum of time is taken in processing them if the Governor decides to make such requests.

There is no question that we are operating on a contingency and stand-by basis. We want to be ready to act if called upon, but there is agreement at every level that the lead remains with the state officials.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 31, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

JACK WATSON *Jack*

SUBJECT:

Status Report -- Three Mile Island  
Nuclear Facility Report #3

Since my report earlier today, the following developments have occurred:

- (1) I met with the working group representing all appropriate federal agencies for two hours this afternoon.
  - ° The status of contingency planning for a possible evacuation is satisfactory. We are staying in close and constant touch with the work being done at the state and local levels, and the federal support mechanisms are all coming into place. DoD has appropriate logistical support units on alert. The Red Cross is moving some materiel into position, and FDAA is coordinating the federal activities in the field.
  - ° I asked the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (through Commissioners Gilinsky and Bradford who attended the meeting this afternoon) to develop (a) the criteria to be used in determining whether a precautionary evacuation is indicated; and (b) the nature and extent of such an evacuation in light of likely radiation dispersal patterns, anticipated wind direction and velocities, etc.
  - ° It is clear that the major discretionary decision the Governor and we will face in the next 2 - 3 days is whether to evacuate, as a precaution, before intervening at the reactor site to dissipate the hydrogen bubble. Current estimates indicate that every intervention option under consideration carries risks to the public health and safety.



- (2) I have briefed Harold Brown on our contingency planning and have good communications with, and support from, DoD.
- (3) An AP story which was on the wire tonight based on various named and unnamed sources from the NRC Operations Center in Bethesda has seriously raised public anxiety levels in Pennsylvania. I immediately talked to the Governor about the story who was very concerned about its effects on an already anxious population in the vicinity of the site. Harold Denton briefed the press in Harrisburg in an effort to allay fears and clarify the situation.
  - ° I also talked tonight with Chairman Hendrie and Commissioner Galinsky of the NRC and asked that they tighten and improve control of the NRC public information process out of Washington.
  - ° I also spoke tonight with Herman Dieckamp, President of General Public Utilities Company, and suggested that the Company discontinue its separate press briefings on the situation at the site, leaving that responsibility to Harold Dent. He agreed to do so.
  - ° I have alerted the Governor to your planned site visit. He was most gracious and will work to make your visit productive. I said that I would be back in touch with him tomorrow to keep him fully advised of our plans for such a visit.

*Am Log - SACT*

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

March 31, 1979

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: STU EIZENSTAT  
SUBJECT: Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

I feel strongly that unless it is unsafe for your health, you ought to go to Harrisburg tomorrow or Monday for an on-site inspection and report. This would show leadership and personal concern. Our current posture appears to be one of indifference.

*I share Stu's concern about our current posture. I think a trip on Monday may be a worthwhile. We should make the decision on Sunday.*

*After thinking about it and talking to Rafikhan, I recommend that you mention this incident in your speech tonight — along the lines of your comments to the editors.*

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

3/31/79

Hugh Carter

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the President's outbox today  
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appropriate handling.

Rick Hutcheson

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 30, 1979

*Hugh -  
Cease reporting -  
unless special  
circumstance  
arises -*

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HUGH CARTER *HC*

SUBJECT:

Weekly Mail Report (Per Your Request)

Below are statistics on Presidential and First Family:

<u>INCOMING</u>	<u>WEEK ENDING 3/23</u>	<u>WEEK ENDING 3/30</u>
Presidential	25,775	27,780
First Lady	1,615	1,470
Amy	360	275
<u>Other First Family</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>65</u>
TOTAL	27,800	29,590

BACKLOG

Presidential	3,875	5,495
First Lady	195	365
Amy	0	0
<u>Other</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	4,070	5,860

DISTRIBUTION OF PRESIDENTIAL MAIL ANALYZED

Agency Referrals	9%	9%
WH Correspondence	58%	61%
Unanswerable Mail	13%	14%
White House Staff	4%	5%
Greetings Requests	15%	11%
<u>Other</u>	<u>1%</u>	<u>0%</u>
TOTAL	100%	100%

NOT INCLUDED ABOVE

Form Letters	0	0
Form Post Cards	5,500	7,530
Mail Addressed to White House Staff	15,999	15,127

cc: Senior Staff

MAJOR ISSUES IN  
CURRENT PRESIDENTIAL ADULT MAIL  
Week Ending 3/30/79

ISSUES	PRO	CON	COMMENT ONLY	NUMBER LETTERS
Support for President's Middle East Peace Initiative/Signing of Peace Treaty	72%	25%	3%	1,261
Comments re: Energy Situation	0	0	100%	771
Support for Proposed IRS Guidelines for Determining Tax-exempt Status of Private Schools	0	100%	0	565
Support for Budget Cutbacks for FY 1980	0	95%	5%	338
Support for Deregulation of Trucking Industry	0	100%	0	301
Support for National Health Plan	92%	8%	0	181
Support for Pelly Amendment to Fishermen's Protective Act of 1967	100%	0	0	162
Support for Child Care Act of 1969 S.4 (1)	97%	3%	0	159
Endorsements for Federal Judgeships	0	0	100%	<u>121</u>
			Total	3,859

(1) SUPPORT FOR THE CHILD CARE ACT OF 1979 S.4 (94% Pro)

In an apparent write-in campaign, parents citing that this is the International Year of the Child, contend that S.4 would provide affordable, quality child care.

C/

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

March 31, 1979

MR. PRESIDENT:

Bob Strauss got word from a Teamster negotiator that a settlement could be as soon as sun-up. It may be outside the guidelines but not excessive. Even if you are pleased (which you may not be) with the terms, don't praise the settlement because it may affect the union ratification vote.

PHIL

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Zablocki - Marguerite

Father Raynor

'76 - banging on door

Acad Honors - Krakow

Clem. Pope John Paul II

Poker & Ma TV-76

Leaders in House

Ga → Wisconsin

For Aff - Banking (Reuss)

Something in beer

Clem. Wage Peace

ACDA - Peace Corps

Advis - SALT II

Qual of Univ - Alumni

US Cong. won NCAA finals

CN BLEECHER Cy. 2 big  
J. J. Salt Val, Bank, Fin-50  
Phillips P/N - Wmeh  
Nelson - Proxmire, Reuss, Aspin  
Zablocki - Baldus - May Maier  
Amb Lucey 6th GARY

open, honest, progressive

Wise. primary

Friend, Neighbor → V.P.

take stock

Justice, OPPOR, PEACE  
strength } QUAL LIFE

focus on crises, needs

WAR - PEACE - no death

Emp. + 70m (94 → 41)

Farm - Soc Sec - housing

Civ SERV

Dereg - Airlines

Waste, fraud - ethics, open

Dictatorships → Hum Rts

UN

Panama - PRC - SAfrica

Non Prolif, MTN - SALT

Envir - Alaska

M.I.E

Hum Rts ← Probs. Challenges

Energy - Nuc Power

Infl - def. hosp.

Bold, confident

DAVID OBEY #1 Am Lucey  
1 Um White  
Sen Nelson - Proxmire

Reuss Baldus M. Hugh

Better Way Club - + 40%

7 Kahn  
fine Americans - farmers, etc

right kind of influence

10th Anniv. Obey → Cong

10 yrs ago - 1969

Demo Party - Low Point

HHH spoke here - Obey

YEARS 1st Demo - 6%

Unemp = 8% = Wis → 5%

Infl - Hosp costs \$140/auto

Trust - Ethics law

Foreign - SALT - Soc Sec

Energy 60% Coal 35% Nuc

Deficits

Farm income - embargoes

Mid East

Obey. Aged. Handicapped -

MHealth - Worker Safety

Envir -

APPROP & BUDGET

Regs - Red Tape - Deficit

For Aid

David Obey #2

Pay more - shorter speech

Waste - IG - HEN #561

Greatness of nation

Civil Rts - '60's EDA

human rights

Peace thru strength

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Stu Eizenstat  
Bob Lipshutz

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	IMMEDIATE TURNAROUND
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	LAST DAY FOR ACTION -

orig. of Campbell letter given to Rubenstein to deliver.

ACTION  
FYI

have Baer letter  
delivered promptly

	ADMIN CONFID
	CONFIDENTIAL
	SECRET
	EYES ONLY

	VICE PRESIDENT
✓	EIZENSTAT
	JORDAN
	KRAFT
✓	LIPSHUTZ
	MOORE
	POWELL
	WATSON
	WEXLER
	BRZEZINSKI
	MCINTYRE
	SCHULTZE

	ARAGON
	BOURNE
	BUTLER
	H. CARTER
	CLOUGH
	COSTANZA
	CRUIKSHANK
	FALLOWS
	FIRST LADY
	GAMMILL
	HARDEN
	HUTCHESON
	JAGODA
	LINDER
	MITCHELL
	MOE
	PETERSON
	PETTIGREW
	PRESS
	RAFSHOON
	SCHNEIDERS
	VOORDE
	WARREN
	WISE

	ADAMS
	ANDRUS
	BELL
	BERGLAND
	BLUMENTHAL
	BROWN
	CALIFANO
	HARRIS
	KREPS
	MARSHALL
	SCHLESINGER
	STRAUSS
	VANCE

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 30, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

STU EIZENSTAT

BOB LIPSHUTZ



SUBJECT:

The Ethics Act Amendments

On Monday, Congressman Danielson will hold a one-day hearing on the Administration's proposed technical amendments to the Ethics Act. The amendments have already been transmitted by Scotty Campbell, who will testify for the Administration, to the Congressman as well as to Senator Ribicoff. Scotty believes that his testimony will be strengthened if he can indicate your personal support for the technical amendments. We believe that can be effectively done through a letter to him, as well as a similar letter to Judge Bell, indicating your strong support for the Ethics Act and your approval of a limited number of technical amendments.

If you approve, Scotty will present your letter at the hearing. Attached are identical letters to Scotty and Judge Bell that should serve this purpose.

(TWO SIGNATURES REQUESTED)

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 31, 1979

To Attorney General Bell

Last year we worked closely with Congress to pass The Ethics in Government Act, which sets important ethical standards for Federal employees. It will stand as a landmark statute in providing the public with greater confidence and trust in the way in which the Federal government operates.

It is essential that the Act be implemented as effectively, fairly, and promptly as possible. I am pleased that you are taking steps to ensure such an implementation.

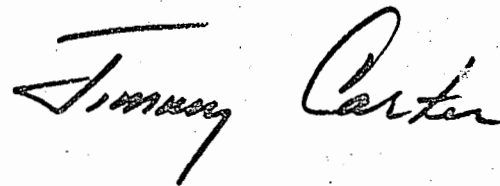
The regulations which you have approved provide sound and equitable interpretations of the Act. The technical amendments to the Act that you have proposed clarify important provisions and should eliminate legitimate concerns of Federal employees about certain post-employment restrictions.

When these are taken together, there should be no doubt that the intent of the Act will be fulfilled, and the public confidence in the conduct of government affairs will rest on a firmer foundation. Of equal importance, Federal employees interested in serving the public will not be harmed in future private employment by the requirements of the Act.

It is important that you work closely with the Congressional leaders to gain rapid enactment of the technical amendments. The Act's implementation should not be delayed. That can be avoided through prompt Congressional approval of the technical amendments.

I am ready to help you in any way necessary to encourage Congressional action. We need a strong, but fair, Ethics Act; and the enactment of these technical amendments, together with the regulations, will ensure the public as well as Federal employees of such a balanced approach.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jimmy Carter". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the word "Sincerely,".

The Honorable Griffin B. Bell  
The Attorney General  
Washington, D.C. 20530

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

To Director Campbell

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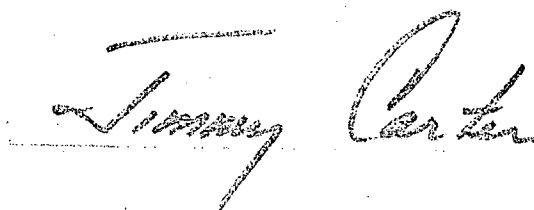
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The Honorable Alan K. Campbell  
Director  
Office of Personnel Management  
Washington, D.C.

telephone conversations with dr. denton  
(3-mile island, pa)  
3/31/79 and 4/1/79

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Denton - 8:00 a.m. 3-31-79

12 people -

Midnite - 1" line  
for venting bubble  
monitoring  $H_2$

Holding ~ 1000 psi  
1100 - 1200 ft<sup>3</sup>

2 gpm off gases  
jury rig gases  
containment

~ 280° F

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12:25 - pm

Recombining  
absorbing  $H_2$   
Temp's dropping slowly  
flow patterns better  
Core quiet  
No  $H_2$  in sample, but  $I_2$  C<sub>2</sub>

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THE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE

Sunday - April 1, 1979

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9:50 Depart South Grounds via Motorcade  
en route First Baptist Church.

10:00 Sunday School.

11:00 Morning Worship Service.

3:45 Depart South Grounds via motorcade en route  
St. Patrick's Church.

4:00 Attend Amy Carter's Violin Recital.

5:30 Return to the White House.